

# CAMBRIDGE LICENSE COMMISSION CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

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December 23, 2008

Jamal Alamleh 176 Billings Street #3 N. Quincy, MA 02171

RE: Application for a Jitney route, Copley Coach, Inc.

Dear Mr. Alamleh,

On December 16, 2008 the Board of License Commissioners voted 3-0 to recommend disapproval to the City Manager for the City Council on your application for shuttle service from the airport to hotels in Cambridge.

The reasons for which the License Commission is recommending disapproval are:

- 1. Taxi-cab drivers fear this business will cut into their business during this economic downturn.
- 2. Enforcement of solicitation for jitney service cannot be effectively monitored or enforced.
- 3. In order for the taxicab community to provide for short trips, they depend on the airport runs.
- 4. The taxicab community provides a service to all facets of the community without regard for profitability of the fares.
- 5. The client base for airport runs is not consistent enough to support the scheduled runs being proposed by the jitney operators.
- 6. Unlike the price of medallions, it is difficult to assess the impact of jitney services in terms of devaluing the cost of medallions. It is difficult to assess how many jitney licenses are too many.
- 7. There is a claim that there is already a saturation of jitney and limousine services servicing the Cambridge area.
- 8. Not able to police whether jitney services are keeping to their proposed schedules.

Your application will be forwarded to the City Council for consideration at their January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009 hearing. Please be sure to attend the hearing.

Sincerely,

Executive Officer

#### CITY OF CAMBRIDGE

#### **BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS**

Notice is hereby given that Copley Coach, Inc., Jamal Alamleh, Manager, has applied to operate shuttle service between Cambridge hotels and Logan Airport. The shuttle service will consist of two (2) 15 passenger vans running in 30 minute intervals between the hours of 10:00a.m. to midnight. The proposed route is as follows:

Enter Cambridge from Monsignor O'Brien Highway, left on to Edwin Land Boulevard, right onto Binney Street, Binney Street turns into Galileo Galilei Way, left onto Broadway, pull into Stop 1-Marriott Residence Inn Hotel, leave taking a right to Stop 2- Marriott Hotel, take a right out of driveway onto Broadway, right onto Main Street, left onto Vassar Street, right onto Massachusetts Avenue, left onto Sidney Street, left onto Green Street to Stop 3- Le Meridien Hotel, exit Le Meridien Hotel onto Green Street, left on Lansdowne, right onto Massachusetts Avenue, right on Memorial Drive, left onto Western Avenue exit Cambridge over Western Avenue Bridge, follow to Mass Pike east and return to Logan International Airport.

The hearing on this application will be held on Tuesday evening, December 16, 2008 at six o'clock in the Michael J. Lombardi Municipal Building, 831 Massachusetts Avenue, Basement Conference room, Cambridge, MA 02139.

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License Commission

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## **CITY OF CAMBRIDGE**

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## MEMORANDUM

To:

Elizabeth Lint, License Commission

From:

Adam Shulman, Transportation Planner Idam Jhn

Date:

October 20, 2008

Re:

Copley Coach Inc.

Our Department received a shuttle routing request from Jamal Alamleh, Copley Coach Inc., to operate a shuttle service from Logan Airport to three (3) hotels in Cambridge (Marriott Residence Inn Hotel, Marriott Hotel and Le Meridien Hotel).

Copley Coach Inc. will operate two (2) vans, which can accommodate 15 passengers. Shuttle service will operate 7 days a week from 10:00 AM to 12:00 AM. The route will be circular 30 minutes. The proposed route is:

- Enter Cambridge from Monsignor O'Brien Highway.
- Left onto Edwin H. Land Blvd.
- Right onto Binney Street. Binney Street turns into Galileo Galilei Way.
- Left onto Broadway.
- Pull into the STOP 1 Marriott Residence Inn Hotel.
- Leave taking a right to STOP 2 Marriott Hotel.
- Take a right out of driveway onto Broadway and right onto Main Street.
- Follow Main Street to Vassar Street.
- Left onto Vassar Street.
- Right onto Massachusetts Avenue.
- Take a left onto Sidney Street.
- Take left onto Green Street to STOP 3 Le Meridien Hotel.
- Exit Le Meridien Hotel onto Green Street.
- Left on Landsdowne Street.
- Right onto Massachusetts Avenue.
- Take Massachusetts Ave. to Memorial Drive. Right onto Memorial Drive.
- Take Memorial Drive to Western Avenue. Left onto Western Avenue.
- Exit Cambridge over the Charles River (Western Avenue Bridge).
- Follow to Mass. Pike east and return to Logan Airport.

The TP&T Department approves the requested jitney route for Copley Coach Inc. with the following stipulations.

- The proponent should obtain approval from the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) Department, because the route uses Land Boulevard and Memorial Drive, which is owned by DCR.
- > No operations should occur on narrow residential streets that do not serve any hotels.
- > This Department should approve any routing changes to this service.
- > No illegal u-turns shall be done.
- > Changing of directions should be conducted as indicated on the routing plan.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 617-349-4745.

First Name: Jamal

Last Name Alamleh

Business address: 176 Billings st # 3 N.Quincy Mass 02171

Tel # 617-894-6542

Request start Time: 10:00 AM

End Time 10:00 PM

7 Days a week

The type of business: Hotel shuttle service between Cambridge

hotels and Logan Airport

Type of Vehicle: 15 passanger E350 Ford Van

Stop location: Marriott hotel, Residence Inn, and le merridan.

2 Vehicles

Vans will be stored in 515 benington st boston mass

Customer pays the driver cash.

## **COPLEY COACH INC**

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